UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE NASHVILLE DIVISION

RODRIGUES PRUITT,)	
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Petitioner,)	
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v.)	No. 3:11-mc-00031
)	Judge Campbell
JERRY LESTER, Warden, and)	
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE)	
STATE OF TENNESSEE,)	
)	
Respondents.)	
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ORDER

The court has received a petition for a writ of *habeas corpus* pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. (Docket No. 1). The petitioner is a prisoner in the Turney Center Industrial Complex in Only, Tennessee. He has also filed a motion for appointment of counsel. (Docket No. 2).

The petitioner has not paid the five dollar (\$5.00) fee to file a petition for a writ of *habeas corpus* as required under 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a). Neither has he submitted an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* in lieu thereof.

The petitioner is directed within thirty (30) days of the date of entry of this order either to pay the \$5.00 filing fee, or submit an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. The petitioner is forewarned that his petition will not be filed until he does one or the other.

The Clerk is **DIRECTED** to return the file to the staff attorneys for initial review under Rule 4, Rules – Section 2254 Cases when the petitioner has complied with this order.

It is so **ORDERED**.

Todd J. Campbell
United States District Judge

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